REMARKS

The specification has been amended at page 1 to identify that this application is a Continuation Application of International Application PCT/JP02/05693.

The specification was also amended at page 13, line 13 to correct a typographical error.

Claims 5, 7, 8 and 9 have been amended to delete improper multiple dependencies thereof, and new claim 10 (corresponding to claim 5 dependent on claim 4) has been added.

Other minor formal changes have been made to claims 5, 6, 8 and 9, which do not affect patentability.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

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